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DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI

F. No. 27-19/10/2025-INT-COOP-DGS (Comp. No.: 34081)

Dated: 03.05.2025

DGS ORDER NO. 05 OF 2025

UNDER SECTION 411 (READ WITH PREAMBLE) OF MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT, 1958

Whereas, the preamble of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958 enshrines the objectives of the Act.

2. Whereas, the objective of Act, is to foster the development and ensure the efficient maintenance of an Indian mercantile marine, in a manner best suited to serve the national interests.
3. Whereas the said Act deal with Indian flag ships wherever these may be and Foreign Flag ships while in Indian waters, to ensure safety of life at sea and safety of ships.
4. Whereas section 411 empowers the Director General of Shipping, Govt of India, to issue directions to ships, for meeting the objective of national interest or the interest of Indian shipping.
5. Now, therefore, in exercise of power conferred by section 411 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958 read with objectives as enshrined under Preamble of the said Act, keeping in view of the present situation, the following directions are hereby issued:
 - 5.1. A ship bearing the flag of Pakistan shall not be allowed to visit any Indian Port.
 - 5.2. An Indian flag ship shall not visit any Ports of Pakistan.
6. This order is issued to ensure safety of Indian assets, cargo and connected infrastructure, in public interest and for interest of Indian shipping.
7. Any exemption or dispensation from this order shall be examined and decided on case-to-case basis.
8. This order shall come into force with immediate effect and remain in force till further order.

(Director General of Shipping)

To,

- i. Chairpersons of all Ports.
- ii. Principal Officers/ SICs of all MMDs.
- iii. All the stakeholders through DGS Website.

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